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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of January 11, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.